



Lab receives an additional \$19 million for environmental cleanup

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Thanks to support from New Mexico Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich, Representatives Ben Ray Lujan and Steve Pearce and Governor Susana Martinez, the Lab has received an additional \$19 million for environmental cleanup.

The money is needed to help meet deadlines to expedite removal of aboveground transuranic waste following the Las Conchas fire in 2011. The deadlines were agreed upon between the Department of Energy and the State of New Mexico. Failure to meet them could result in fines from the State.

The budgeting shortfall was expected due to continuing budget resolutions issues as well as sequestration cuts.

Los Alamos National Laboratory selects three local small businesses for environmental work

The Lab also recently awarded a master task order agreement in which three small businesses will compete for environmental work worth up to \$150 million over five years. Each of the companies has offices in Northern New Mexico.

The agreement will supply the Laboratory's Environmental Programs directorate with technical services, including environmental engineering design, regulatory support, risk assessment and reporting.

The companies selected are Terranear PMC, Navarro Research and Engineering, Inc. and Adelante Consulting, Inc. The agreement is for three years with two additional one-year options. Task orders under this agreement will be competitively bid among the three companies based on available funding.

"Having local companies of this high caliber working with us helps to ensure that we complete our environmental mission effectively and efficiently," said Pete Maggiore, assistant manager for the National Nuclear Security Administration's Los Alamos Field Office Environmental Projects Office.

This is the fourth master task order agreement Los Alamos has awarded to support environmental cleanup work in the past two years, with plans to award two more in the coming year.

The press release is available [here](#).

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